## In the Court of Appeals of the State of Alaska

Kiven M Collins,

Court of Appeals No. A-13092

Appellant,

Order

V.

Motion for Leave of Counsel

State of Alaska,

Date of Notice: 5/23/2019

Appellee.

Trial Court Case No. 3AN-14-05854CI, 3AN-86-05322CR

The Appellant, Kiven Collins, is currently represented by Olena Kaltytiak Davis in this appeal; she is an attorney appointed to represent Mr. Collins at public expense. Mr. Collins has filed a pro se pleading asking this Court to dismiss Ms. Davis from her representation of Mr. Collins. Normally, this Court will not accept a pro se pleading from a represented litigant, but the Court will make an exception in this case.

According to Mr. Collins's pro se pleading, he believes that Ms. Davis has a conflict of interest because Mr. Collins believes that he has a conflict with the Public Defender Agency. But Ms. Davis is not associated with the Pubic Defender Agency in this appeal — instead, Ms. Davis is a contract attorney with the Office of Public Advocacy. The Office of Public Advocacy is the agency that, by statute, represents indigent defendants when the Public Defender Agency, because of a conflict of interest, cannot provide representation.

For this reason, Mr. Collins's pro se motion to have his attorney dismissed for a conflict of interest is **DENIED**. The Clerk of the Appellate Courts is directed to provide a copy of this Order to Ms. Davis, who was not served with the motion.

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Additionally, Mr. Collins is instructed that because he is represented by counsel, the Clerk of the Appellate Courts, under Appellate Rule 518(b), has the authority to reject for filing any further pro se pleadings.

Entered under the authority of Chief Judge Allard.

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